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For: APPARATUS FOR MANIPULATING AN OBJECT DISPLAYED ON A DISPLAY DEVICE BY USING A TOUCH SCREEN

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed July 30, 2001, applicant(s) elect(s) Claims 11-48, 55-60, 71-76, 83-91, 101 and 102 of Group I, without traverse. Please CANCEL the non-elected claims 49-54, 61-70, 77-82, 92-100 and 103-110, without prejudice.

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